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CONTRACT MAIL CARRIER PLEADS GUILTY TO MAIL THEFT

– Stole Mail and Items of Value From Mail

David L. Huber, United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, announced today that **WILLIAM H. MEYER**, age 49, of 1510 South 29th Street, Paducah, Kentucky, in McCracken County, **pled guilty** to two counts of theft of mail and theft of items of value in mail from authorized mail routes.

The maximum potential penalties are 10 years imprisonment, a \$500,000 fine, and 3 years supervised release.

Meyer admitted that between about December 1, 2003 and December 7, 2004, he worked as a contract mail carrier on an authorized United States mail route originating in Eddyville, Kentucky, and ending in Paducah, Kentucky, in the Western District of Kentucky. In that capacity, **Meyer** was entrusted with United States mail. During the time between about December 1, 2003 and December 7, 2004, while working as a contract mail carrier, **Meyer** stole pieces of mail. From some of the pieces of mail, **Meyer** stole items of value such as gift cards, cash, digital video discs, and hardware supplies.

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The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney David Sparks and was investigated by the United States Postal Inspection Service.

The plea was entered before Hon. Thomas B. Russell, Judge, United States District Court, Paducah, Kentucky.

Meyer is scheduled to be sentenced before Judge Russell on February 13, 2007, at 11:00 a.m., in Paducah, Kentucky.

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